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TO: S/S - Mr. William H. Brubeck
FROM: S/S-O - Moncrieff J. Spear
SUBJECT: Joint Staff Consideration of Air Blockade of Cuba

Mr. Freshman, a State officer on detail at the Joint War Room, has advised us that there was a Joint Staff discussion this morning which directed drawing up a paper on an air blockade of Cuba. After further consideration, the paper was changed, and at 2:00 p.m. the Joint Staff met to consider the revised draft.

The principal problem is one of definitions.

This paper will then be forwarded to the DOD principals and if accepted will be sent for clearance at State and the White House.

Mr. Freshman stressed that State would be in on the clearance process and promised to send a copy of the paper as soon as it was available.

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